

**A RESOLUTION BY
COUNCILMEMBER JIM MADDOX**

07-R-2145

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, TO DEDICATE AND NAME THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT THE ADAMS PARK RECREATION CENTER AFTER FRANCES ROSSMAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Frances H. Rossman ("Ms. Rossman") was born on July 2, 1907 in Philadelphia, PA; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rossman was a long time human rights activist. She was a member of the League of Women Voters for 56 years where she fought to secure equal access to education and housing for minorities; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Ms. Rossman served as Legislative Chair for the Atlanta Region Open Housing Coalition, and also served on the housing and transportation task forces of the Atlanta Regional Commission; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, when other whites were leaving Southwest, Atlanta, Ms. Rossman moved in, and soon after began serving as the treasurer of the Adams Park Residents Association; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rossman organized and became the president of the Neighborhood Planning Unit-R (NPU-R); and

WHEREAS Ms. Rossman died at home in Southwest Atlanta, April 23, 2007 at the age of 99; and

WHEREAS, she was known by friends and colleagues as a "mover and shaker" in the Adams Park community; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta City Council is desirous of dedicating and naming the Community Room at the Adams Park Recreation Center after Frances Rossman.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of Atlanta, to dedicate and name the Community Room at the Adams Park Recreation Center after Frances Rossman.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate City agencies, including, but not limited to the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs are hereby directed to take such steps as are necessary to have the community room changed in the Adams Park Recreation Center and other official documents and markers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural affairs and any other agency that may be impacted by this change.